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1. The Reichsbahn in the Russian Zone has to pay SMA 350,000 RM yearly as reparations. Inasmuch as the Reichsbahn income has greatly decreased, SMA has ordered that no more money is to be used for repair of buildings, traffic installations, etc. The only purpose for which SMA will approve Reichsbahn expenditures is for repair of rolling stock. SMA has allowed a total of 60,000,000 RM for all Reichsbahn expenditures in the eight Reichsbahn divisions (Reichsbahndirektionen) in the Russian Zone in the fiscal year 1946. Of this sum 20,000,000 RM is allotted to Berlin. According to the official Reichsbahn budget, drawn up by the Central Administration of Transportation for the 4th Quarter 1946, the following expenditures are planned:

	<u>Total Russian Zone</u>	<u>Berlin Division</u>
Personnel	160,100,000 RM	30,467,000 RM
Other Current Expenses	120,000,000 RM	24,944,000 RM
Extraordinary Expenditures	27,200,000 RM	8,984,000 RM

Comment: Apparently the figures given by source correspond to the figures for extraordinary expenditures in the budget.)

2. The Berlin Reichsbahn Division has been making a roster of all employees, complete with full name, previous and present political affiliations, job, and address. An SED official at the Grunewald repair works stated that the SMA intends to deport 15,000 railroad workers for employment in the East. A railroad doctor in the British Sector of Berlin told source that he had orders to examine all employees by December to determine their physical condition.

3. [redacted] reports the same registration of railroad workers. He states that the Central Administration of Transportation is going to release 60,000 workers, 3,000 from Berlin. 12,000 are to be sent to Russia. [redacted] it is expected that as many as 35,000 railroad workers will be deported to the U.S.S.R.

4. [redacted] numerous, railroad employees have been arrested since the middle of November in Cottbus area, mainly former Nazis. They are to be used in the construction of a Berlin-Moscow railway which is to have one track of European width and one of Russian width. Construction is scheduled to begin before 1 January 1947.

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5. Every railroad worker in the Russian Zone has had to sign a statement that he has read and understands Article 59, Para. 3b of the Russian Penal Code. Under this Law every wrongful act by a railroad employee is punishable by Russian military courts. In the event of a railroad accident not caused by carelessness but by insufficient equipment, mechanical failure or similar causes, the Russians punish all railroad workers connected with it very severely.

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